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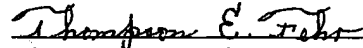
2. Applicant is a small entity. A statement claiming small entity status was already filed.

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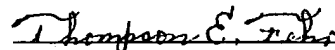
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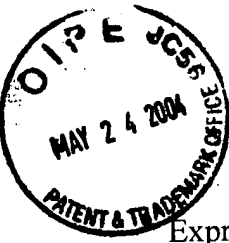
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Sir:

This paper is presented as a preliminary amendment.

Please, amend the above-entitled application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.